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Serial No.: 09/872,523 Examiner: Misook Yu  
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, applicants hereby petition that the period for replying to the Office Action that was mailed in connection with the above-captioned application on November 6, 2003 be extended for three months, to and including May 6, 2004. In lieu of filing a reply a Continuation Application is being filed concurrently.

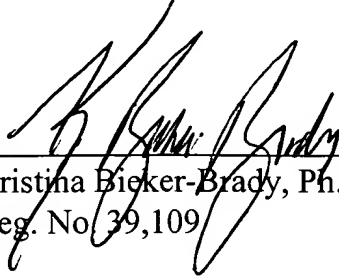
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